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SUBJECT: PUBLIC OPINION POLL PREDICTS LOSSES FOR SOCIAL DEMOCRATS

1. THE FIRST POLL MEASURING THE RELATIVE STRENGTH OF THE POLITICAL PARTIES PUBLISHED IN RECENT WEEKS HAS APPEARED IN APU MAGAZINE. IT SHOWS A CONTINUED DECLINE IN POPULARITY FOR THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATS BUT NO OTHER SIGNIFICANT TRENDS ARE DISCREENABLE. IN FACT, ALLOWING FOR NORMAL STATISTICAL ERROR THE POLL REFLECTS THE CHARACTERISTIC STABILITY OF THE FRAGMENTED FINNISH POLITICAL SPECTRUM. WE ARE MOST SKEPTICAL OF THE LARGE PROPORTIONAL INCREASES IN THE TINY ENTREPRENEURS' PARTY AND THE VERY SMALL UNITY PARTY.

2. POLL RESULTS (SEE CODE BELOW):

	A	B	C	D	E
SDP	23.2	27.1	24.9	-3.9	-1.7
SKDL	19.0	17.5	18.9	P 1.5	P 0.1 (P - PLUS)
TPSL/STP	0.3	0.5	0.3	-0.2	0.0
TOTAL LEFT	42.5	45.2	44.1	-2.7	-1.6

KOK	18.1	18.1	18.4	0.0	-0.3
KEPU	17.1	18.0	17.6	-0.9	-0.5
SFP	5.5	5.2	5.0	P 0.3	P 0.5
LKP	5.1	5.2	4.3	-0.1	P 0.8

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SMP	3.1	5.0	3.6	-1.9	-0.5
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SKL 3.5 2.0 3.3 P 1.5 P 0.2  
SKYP 2.5 - 1.7 P 2.5 P 0.8  
SPK 1.7 - 1.6 P 1.7 P 0.1  
SYP 0.9 0.2 0.4 P 0.7 P 0.6  
TOTAL NON-  
SOCIALIST 57.5 54.5 55.9 3.0 1.6

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SDP - SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY  
SKDL - FINNISH PEOPLES DEMOCRATIC LEAGUE  
TPSL/STP - FORMERLY WORKERS AND SMALL FARMERS SOCIIALIST  
LEAGUE, NOW SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY  
KOK - CONSERVATIVES  
KEPU - CENTER  
SFP - SWEDISH PEOPLES PARTY  
LKP - LIBERAL PEOPLES PARTY  
SMP - RURAL PARTY  
SKL - CHRISTIAN LEAGUE  
SKYP - UNITY PARTY  
SPK - CONSTITUTIONALIST PARTY  
SYP - ENTREPRENEURS PARTY  
A - JUNE 1976 POLL  
B - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 1972  
C - PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS 1975  
D - DIFFERENCE COMPARED WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
ELECTIONS IN 1972  
E - DIFFERENCE COMPARED WITH PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS  
IN 1975  
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